REMARKS

Claims 1-19 are currently active.

Antecedent support for the amendments to Claims 1, 10 and 19 can be found on page 7, line 32 to page 8, line 3.

The Examiner has rejected Claims 1-19 as being anticipated by El-Fekih. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. For anticipation to be found, every element and limitation of a claim must be found in the four corners of a single document. It is respectfully submitted, the steps of obtaining through the first and second graphical user interfaces indications of one and a second of the traffic classes, as found in Claim 1, is not taught or suggested by El-Fekih.

Referring to figure 18, in paragraph 108 of El-Fekih, there is taught that once a client, such as a service provider customer, has performed a quality of service analysis on an information network 22, they may wish to shape the traffic carried by the various VCs in a VPN to better utilize the network 22. The service management system 24 may be used to generate a configuration for carrying a proposed traffic stream and then to update the network elements comprising the network 22. Each traffic type may have associated there with a business priority and a traffic priority as represented by blocks 294 and 296, respectively.

The associations between traffic types, business priorities, and traffic priorities may be maintained in a data structure as represented by table 2.

The client may provide a proposed traffic description to the traffic shaping advisor module 106 and block 302 via the traffic shaping viewer module 158. The traffic shaping advisor module 106 may then, correlate the proposed traffic description with one or more of the traffic types provided at block 292. Based on this correlation, the traffic shaping advisor module 106 may use the traffic priority and the business priority associated with the correlated traffic types along with the quality data to configure various network elements in the network 22 through the adaption facilities module 92 to carry the traffic proposed by the clients at block 306.

As is apparent from the above description, there is no teaching or suggestion of the steps of obtaining, through said first graphical user interface, indication of a selected second one of said plurality of traffic classes . . . obtaining through the second graphical user interface, indication of a selected second of said plurality of traffic classes, as found in amended Claim 1. El-Fekih does not teach or suggest using a first graphical user interface for one of the traffic classes or for using a second graphical user interface for a second of the traffic classes to obtain an indication there of. Accordingly, since El-Fekih teaches to use the traffic shaping advisor module 106 to use a traffic priority and the business priority associated

with the correlated traffic types, and not separate and distinct graphical user interfaces, Claim 1 is not anticipated by El-Fekih.

Claims 2-9 are dependent to parent Claim 1 and are patentable for the reasons Claim 1 is patentable.

Claim 10 is patentable for the reasons Claim 1 is patentable. Claims 11-18 are dependent to parent Claim 10 and are patentable for the reasons Claim 10 is patentable.

Claim 19 is patentable for the reasons Claim 1 is patentable.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully requested that the outstanding rejections and objections to this application be reconsidered and withdrawn, and Claims 1-19, now in this application be allowed.

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